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TOPIC Soviet Troops in the Blumau-Murischhof Area

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1. On 20 August 1950 it was learned that a sector of the Blumau-Neurisshof (O. 43/X 36) was a Soviet restricted area. Very few civilians were seen in and around the town. *
2. About 15 antennae observed in the town probably belonged to a large radio station. Soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were taking down a line between Blumau and Siegersdorf (P 43/X 45) on 20 August 1950. Trucks [redacted] the drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, left Blumau on the same day. **
3. On 26 August 1950 about 10 low, brick buildings housing soldiers who wore black-bordered red epaulets were in the woods on the edge of the former artillery range east of Blumau. Motor vehicles, including trucks [redacted] with a box-like superstructure, the drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, were parked there. **
- * [redacted] Comment. An ammunition depot and an artillery range, probably for record service practice or test firing, was in the Blumau area, northeast of Wiener-Neustadt, prior to World War II.
- ** [redacted] Comment. [redacted]
- [redacted] It is not known whether an ammunition depot or other supply installations of the Central Group of Forces are maintained there or whether artillery units moved there for test firing.

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